**TRANSPORTATION POOLED FUND PROGRAM**

**QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT**

Date: 2 October 2017

Lead Agency : Louisiana Department of Transportation & Development

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

*Project Managers and/or research project investigators should complete a quarterly progress report for each calendar quarter during which the projects are active. Please provide a project schedule status of the research activities tied to each task that is defined in the proposal; a percentage completion of each task; a concise discussion (2 or 3 sentences) of the current status, including accomplishments and problems encountered, if any. List all tasks, even if no work was done during this period.*

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| **Transportation Pooled Fund Program Project #***(i.e, SPR-2(XXX), SPR-3(XXX) or TPF-5(XXX)*TPF-5(273) | **Transportation Pooled Fund Program - Report Period:**□Quarter 1 (January 1 – March 31)□Quarter 2 (April 1 – June 30)X Quarter 3 (July 1 – September 30)□Quarter 4 (October 1 – December 31) |
| **Project Title:****Latin American Trade and Transportation Studies** |
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| **Lead Agency Project ID:****13-ITTS** | **Other Project ID (i.e., contract #):****2000004871/H.005319.5** | **Project Start Date:****1 Dec 2012**  |
| **Original Project End Date:** **30 Jun 2017** | **Current Project End Date:** **30 Jun 2017** | **Number of Extensions:** **0** |

Project schedule status:

x On schedule □ On revised schedule □ Ahead of schedule □ Behind schedule

Overall Project Statistics:

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| **Total Project Budget** |  **Total Cost to Date for Project** |  **Percentage of Work**  **Completed to Date** |
| $1,519,083 |   |   |

***Quarterly*** Project Statistics:

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| **Total Project Expenses**  **and Percentage This Quarter** |  **Total Amount of Funds** **Expended This Quarter** | **Total Percentage of**  **Time Used to Date** |
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| **Project Description**:**OBJECTIVES:**The purpose of ITTS is to estimate trade volumes with Latin America and other international trade, evaluate infrastructure investments needed to support growth in international trade, and develop strategies to guide infrastructure investments. The overall goal is to help the Southeastern Transportation Alliance states develop their competitive advantages to capture trade opportunities and the associated economic benefits.   The scope of work will consist of, but not be limited to, the following:* Update the Latin America Trade and Transportation Study, but expand to include all international trade.
* Organize and facilitate workshops attended by ITTS member states to review trade forecasts and freight flows, and to present and compare member state transportation plans to ensure proper coordination.
* Organize and sponsor an annual “Freight in the Southeast” conference to provide a continuing education and peer exchange opportunity for member states.
* Within budgetary allowances, provide support to member states such as speaking at member state conferences, offering expert advice, etc.
* Provide technical assistance in meeting the requirements of MAP-21, including but not limited to State Freight Plans, Freight networks and identifying Regional Freight corridors.

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| **Progress this Quarter (includes meetings, work plan status, contract status, significant progress, etc.):**Network* Received FEAT comments from various states
* Planning meeting with Peer Group
* Webinar training for the FEAT model for member states

Data* Upgrade Tableau to include FAF4.4
* Met with the Corps and engaged in several phone calls with FHWA and BTS staff on freight data features, access, etc.
* Provided training materials for ITTS member states, which included two full days of discussion on Tableau datasets and features
* Provided training to states on Tableau materials, including two webinars and posting of materials on YouTube
* Released Missouri only cuts to share, which resulted in reworking the Tableau Workbooks and the working paper to account for the workbook standardization
* Posted the Tableau workbooks for the ITTS member states
* Asked by BTS for FAF 4.4 review
* Published Working Paper 7 - Summary of the Data Integration Work Program
* Conference call with Peer review states regarding the Data Integration work
* Revised and published all Tableau data, including training packages for member states

Meetings* ITTS Peer Meeting in Pittsburgh-organized, attended, and hosted an ITTS Peer meeting in conjunction with “Smart Rivers””
* Presentation at Smart Rivers related to Container on Barge research on Modal Research
* Worked on close out items related to the ITTS meeting
* Attended webinar on FAF4 Truck flow modeling
* Attended local meetings with various transportation groups in New Orleans
* FHWA webinars on “Talking Freight, Talking HPMS, INTRA grants”
* Prepared materials for Smart rivers peer meeting

Communications* Published the 3D Printing paper
* ITTS newsletters
* Published Working Paper 6 -Industry Significance of 3D Printing to Transportation Logistics, Traffic Activities, Planning and Asset Management
* Published Working Paper 7 - Summary of the Data Integration Work Program
* Published Working Paper 8 - Planning Template for the Freight in the Southeastern Conference
* Published Working Paper 9 - A Planning Template for a Freight Advisory Council Meeting
* Continued literature review on Container on Barge/Over dimensional freight for the ITTS member states
* Posted Tableau and FEAT training materials on YouTube

Service to States* Participated in Louisiana Freight Advisory Council Meeting
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| **Anticipated work next quarter**:Network* Submit Final FEAT Model to member states

Data*

Meetings*

Communications* Publish Container on Barge/Over-dimensional freight paper
* Revise ITTS Training on YouTube
* ITTS Newsletter
* Finish final ITTS report

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| **Significant Results:** * Organized ITTS Peer Meeting in conjunction with Smart Rivers Conference in Pittsburgh, PA
* Delivered Data Integration products, including training, for the member states.
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| **Circumstance affecting project or budget. (Please describe any challenges encountered or anticipated that** **might affect the completion of the project within the time, scope and fiscal constraints set forth in the** **agreement, along with recommended solutions to those problems).** |

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| **Potential Implementation:**  |